

# Maryland SESAC

SPECIAL EDUCATION STATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## **Special Education State Advisory Committee General Meeting Minutes**

May 19, 2015

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Johns Hopkins University, Center for Technology in Education

- I. Welcome/Introductions Kelly Meissner  
Reviews and Approval of Minutes  
Motion to approve and seconded. Minutes approved
  
- II. Transition Portfolio  
Veronique Gugliuciello and Mark Trexler - Presentation on digital portfolios/Secondary Transition-will connect with the on-line IEP system and will be made available for those who are not on the on-line system. Phasing in a plan for use of the portfolio. Will increase participation and self-determination for students.  
Discussion re: exit document and differences in county use, parents' experiences, and school requirements. Discussion of parent involvement, service learning requirements, use of videos, where/how does this work get accomplished, alignment to IHE's use of digital portfolios. Need continued input from parents and will come back to SESAC, non-public schools and public schools.  
Looking for confirm the plan for roll-out – how-when-where.
  
- III. Hearing Aid Loan Bank regulations  
Carmen Brown – review of regulatory changes, as well as resource at MSDE, and statutory requirements for regulatory updates. Comments of proposed regulations should be sent to Carmen or Marsye Kaplan.

- IV. Parent Survey  
Carmen Brown – Brief summary of the surveys and dissemination process as well as changes in the dissemination process to increase response rates. Review of the importance of responses, and a request for SESAC to reach out and urge parents to provide feedback.
- V. Post Secondary Work-  
Rachel London – summary of national work for program development. DD Council will help support IHE programs and strategies for students with intellectual disabilities. Discussion specific to TIPSID, Maryland plans and a discussion around sustainability.
- VI. School Behavioral Health CoP  
Carmen Brown- postponed to August mtg
- VII. Call for Nominations/Election - Nominations for Kelly and Rhonda to be elected to another term - unanimous approval for continuation in current roles.
- VIII. Round Table with Marcella  
Marcella Franczkowski - Discussed the idea of an Executive Team Roadshow – listening posts – quarterly at SECAC's. Adding monthly meetings to determine agendas, issues, etc. Suggestion to survey SECAC's; perhaps add family groups; assign roles and responsibilities based on needs of the committee; add an assessment guru, paraeducator, and legislator to SESAC; look more closely at location, the possibility of food for a "Retreat Day" with Legislators, state agency leaders  
  
Do we want to poll 10 States re: SESAC – to ask opinion of SESAC's within their states? Rachel is willing to be involved to reach out to DD Councils in those same states.  
  
FOCUS – approval for SESAC Strategic Imperative for 2015-2016 on Secondary Transition